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3. M-NCPPC Atlas Reference: Map 19 r: 29/24 H-7

+. Address: 10800 Cripplegate Road, Potomac

5. Classification Summary Category_ Ownership private Public Acquisition N/A occupied Accessible no

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Previous Survey Recording M-NCPPC Title and Date: 1976 Inventory of Historical Sites

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6. Date: 1887

7. Original Owner: Charles Ford

8. Apparent Condition

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9. Description: This five bay by one bay, two-and-a-half story, T-shaped house sits on a hill facing east. Constructed of common bonded brick which has been painted a light beige, the south porch has a shed roof supported by two square posts. There are six-over-six double-hung windows set into segmental arches and flanked by putty colored louvered shutters. There are two four light windows in the north and south gable ends.

10. Significance: This commodious dwelling, located near Great Falls, Md., has survived the encroachments of suburbia, and today stands amidst a spreading, upper-income housing development.

In 1871 there was a log house and outbuilding on the property, but this house was built in 1887 by Charles Ford, a prosperous merchant who owned brickyards in Alexandria and Washington. Ford's heirs sold the land in 1915

for \$45,000, and it was resold the following week for \$126,000.

Since then, the land has been in corporate holdings. In 1923, the land was sold to the Tilden Corporation, which then sold the property to the Great Falls Farm Corporation in 1931, from which W.C. and A.N. Miller Development Company purchased the house and land in 1969. The present owners purchased the house and two acres from the Miller Company.

- Candy Reed 11. Researcher and date researched: Mark Walston-5/79 Arch. Description
- 12. Compiler: Margaret Coleman 13. Date Compiled: 10/79

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This five bay by one bay, two and a half story, T-shaped house sits

on a hill facing east.

Built on fieldstone foundations, the house is constructed of common bonded brick which has been painted a light beige. On the east elevation five poured concrete steps, flanked by a wrought iron railing, lead to a stoop shielded by a shed roof and supported by two square posts. The east door is wooden paneled and surmounted by a two light transom. The south elevation of the west ell has three poured concrete steps which lead up to a stoop. The south door is wooden paneled, flanked by a two light sidelight and surmounted by a three light transom.

There are six-over-six double-hung windows set into segmental arches on the east, north and south elevations and flanked by putty colored louvered wooden shutters. There are two four light windows in the north

and south gable ends.

The house has an intersecting gable roofs with wooden shingles. There

are two interior chimneys at the north and south gable ends.

The east door opens into a central hall. An open string single-run staircase with winders ascends along the south wall. It has a chamfered newel post with a pyramidal peak and turned balusters. North of the hall is the family room and south of the hall is the living room. The kitchen is in the west ell.

The floors are random width planking and the walls and ceilings are plaster over lath. The walls are covered by wall paper. There are molded surrounds and wooden paneled doors. The two doors from the central hall to the family room have unusually thick walls. This suggests that the north room was a later addition. There are iron bars on all the cellar windows.

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Charles Ford

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

This commodious dwelling, located near Great Falls, Maryland, has survived the encroachments of suburbia, and today stands amidst a spreading,

upper-income housing development.

In 1871, 396 3/8 acres of various, contiguous tracts, the largest of which was some 194 acres of "Thompson's Pasture" and "Resurvey on Thompson's Pasture", amassed by David Crawford by a series of late 18th century purchases, were offered at public auction. This action resulted from foreclosure proceedings of a deed of trust of the owner, Mary M. Kearney. The land was described at that time as:

.. beautifully located on the road from Offutt's crossroads to Great Falls of the Potomac, about 1 1/2 miles from Offutt's crossroads and a short distance from the Great Falls of the Potomac, sloping to the road and canal and very susceptible of improvements... the soil is good and the place is well wooded and watered. The wood consists of oak, chestnut and pine. improvements consist of a log house and some outbuildings. is a fine apple orchard on the place, and some pears and other fruit.1

The land was purchased by Robert P. Dodge, of Washington, D.C., for \$2,910.2 Dodge apparently bought the property for speculative purposes only, as he sold the farm four months later to Samuel Ford, also of Washington, D.C., for \$5,000.3
Samuel Ford owned the property for 13 years, but seems to have made

very few, if any, improvements to the property during his ownership. From all indications he remained in Washington, and assumed the role of absentee

landlord.

In 1884 he sold the property to his brother, Charles Ford, for \$6,000,4 Charles Ford was a prosperous merchant, owning and operating brickyards in Alexandria and Washington. This explains his choice of building materials when, in 1886, he began construction of a new dwelling on his Montgomery County farm. By February of 1887, the new brick house of Charles Ford was reported as being complete.

Charles Ford died in 1899, and by his will (made February 22, 1899, robated June 16, 1899) he directed that "the farm and outlying tract near Great Falls (including) the horses, cattle, tools, farming implements and household furniture" be disposed of at the discretion of his executors. (Charles Ford was temporarily residing at North East, Cecil County, Maryland, at the time of his death.) The property was retained by the Ford heirs until 1915, when the house and a surrounding 206.26 acres were CONTINUE ON SEPÁRATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

(continued on Attachment Sheet A)

sold to James Eckersley for \$45,000. Eckersley, in turn, sold the property one week later to Robert Pennington of Wilmington, Delaware, for \$126,000. Pennington conveyed the farm in 1922 to the Potomac Corporation.

The land since the last-mentioned conveyance has been in corporate holdings. In 1923, the land was sold to the Tilden Corporation, which then sold the property to the Great Falls Farm Corporation in 1931, from which W.C. and A.N. Miller Development Company purchased the house and land in 1969.10 The present owners purchased the house and two acres from the Miller Company.

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CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 2.04 acres

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

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11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME/TITLE Mark Walston		Candy Reed Architectural Description
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Box 87		926-4510
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The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

The Survey and Inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

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The house was built in two sections. The south end was originally an end hall and parlor house with a three bay facade. Later, the north end was added. Both are laid-up in common bond. The joint between the two is visible in the facade brickwork.

There have been service additions to the rear facade.

There is a small, brick A-roofed outbuilding with an arched doorway and double doors. The stone barn is low, with framed gable ends.

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FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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Resources one through seven for placement on the Master Plan

Resources eight through fifteen found not to meet Ordinance criteria for placement and are recommended to be removed from Locational Atlas

- Samuel Higgens House, Site 24/10 12901 Meadow View Dr. Gaithersburg, MD 20760
- Pleasant View Church #2, Site 24/13
 Darnestown Rd.
 Gaithersburg, MD 20760
- 3. Pleasant Hills, Site 24/21 14800 Darnestown Rd. Germantown, MD 20767
- Glen Store and Post Office, Site 29/3
 11530 S. Glen Rd.
 Potomac, MD 20854
- 5. Locust Grove (Magruder House), Site 29/16
 7401 Lakeview Dr.
 Bethesda, MD 20034
- 9030 Saunders Lane Bethesda, MD 20034
 - 7. Brewer Farm, Site 12/38 20201 Darnestown Rd. Beallsville, MD 20753

- 8. Darby Offut Farm, Site 24/3 15330 Darnestown Rd. Germantown, MD 20767
- 9. Frank Higgens (Hoskinson) House, Site 24/9
 13415 Darnestown Rd.
 Germantown, MD 20767
- 10. Rudolph Beall House, Site 24/11 15700 Norman Dr. Gaithersburg, MD 20760
- 11. Nathanial Clagett Farm, Site 24/31 13611 Deakins Lane Germantown, MD 20767
- 12. Jones House, Site 25/7
 Potomac Horse Center
 Gaithersburg, MD 20760
- 13. Travilah Baptist Church, Site 25/10-2 12811 Glen Rd. Gaithersburg, MD 20760
- 14. Greenbury/Jackson House, Site 29/14
 10220 Kentsdale Dr.
 Potomac, MD 20854
- 15. Samuel Ford House, Site 29/24
 10800 Cripplegate Rd.
 Potomac, MD 20854

Samuel Frond House M29/24

Resolution No. 10-777 Introduced: June 11, 1984 Adopted: June 11, 1984

COUNTY COUNCIL FOR MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND SITTING AS A DISTRICT COUNCIL FOR THAT PORTION OF THE MARYLAND-WASHINGTON REGIONAL DISTRICT WITHIN MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND

SUBJECT: Amendment to the Approved and Adopted Master Plan for Historic Preservation in Montgomery County, Maryland

WHEREAS, in September, 1983, the Montgomery County Planning Board transmitted to the Montgomery County Council the Final Draft Amendment to the Historic Preservation Master Plan, proposing the addition of several historic sites for inclusion in the Master Plan and the removal of several sites from the <u>Locational</u> Atlas and Index of Historic Sites in Montgomery County, Maryland; and

WHEREAS, on December 13, 1983, the Montgomery County Council held a public hearing wherein oral and written testimony was received concerning the Final Draft Amendment to the Historic Preservation Master Plan; and

WHEREAS, on May 22, 1984, the Council Planning, Housing and Economic Development Committee reviewed the Final Draft Amendment to the Historic Preservation Master Plan and the issues raised at the public hearing with the Montgomery County Planning Board, staff and affected parties; and

WHEREAS, the Montgomery County Council reviewed the recommendations of the Planning, Housing and Economic Development Committee at a worksession held on June 11, 1984.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the County Council, sitting as a District Council for that portion of the Maryland-Washington Regional District within Montgomery County, that -

The Historic Preservation Master Plan is hereby amended by the inclusion of the following sites and/or resources:

- 1. Dickerson Station
- 2. Brewer Farm
- 3. Bussard Farm

- 6. Pleasant View Church #2
- 5. Pleasant Hills
- 6. Glen Store and Post Office
- 7. Locust Grove I (Magruder House)
- 8. Ellerslie
- 9. Hayes Manor
- 10. Woodend

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the following sites and/or resources are hereby removed from the <u>Locational Atlas and Index of Historic Sites in Montgomery County</u>, Maryland as not suitable for regulation under the Historic Preservation Ordinance, Chapter 24A of the Montgomery County Code:

- 1. Darby/Offutt Farm
- 2. Frank Higgens (Hoskinson) House
- 3. Rudolph Beall House
- 4. Nathenial Clagett
- 5. Jones House
- 6. Travilah Baptist Church
- 7. Greenbury Jackson House
- 8. Semuel Ford House
- 9. Granger Estate (Holton Arms School)

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the decision regarding the proposed deletion of the Samuel Higgens House and Rammed-Farth House (Oakmont) from the Locational Atlas and Index of Historic Sites in Montgomery County, Maryland, is hereby deferred for further review and consideration by the Council.

A True Copy.

ATTEST:

Kathleen A. Freedman, Acting Secretary

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Montgomery County, Maryland

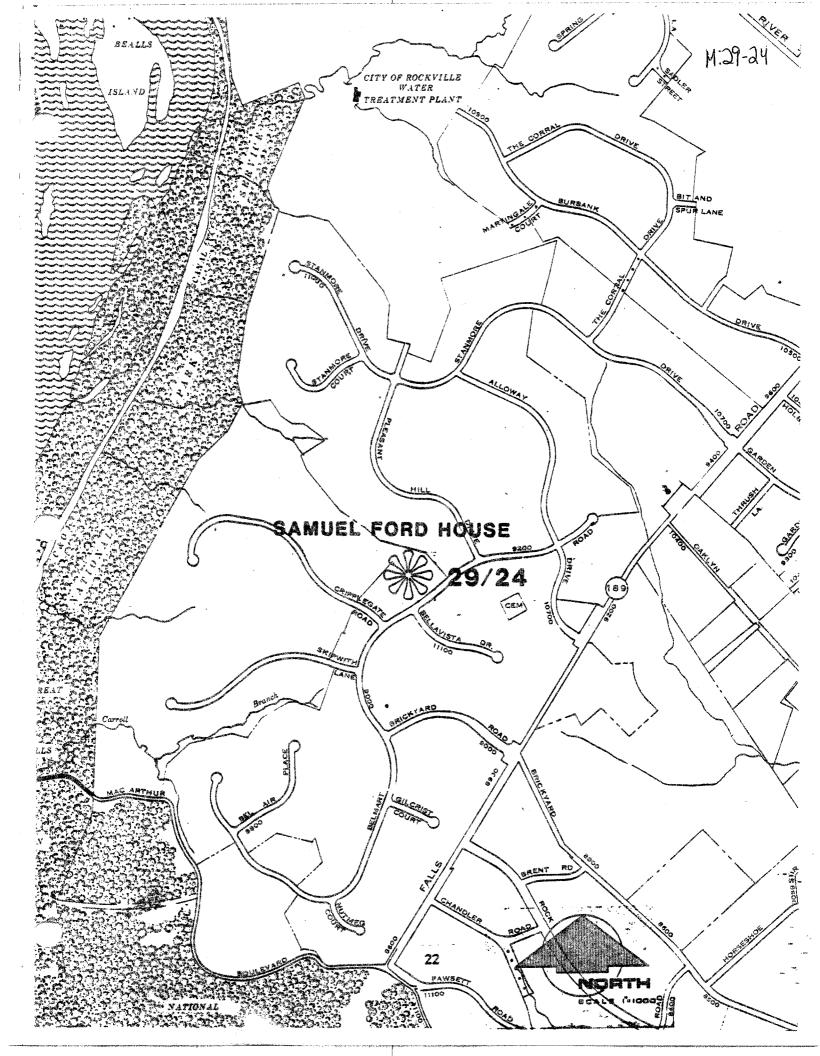
APPENDIX

SITES NOT RECOMMENDED FOR REGULATION UNDER THE HISTORIC PRESERVATION ORDINANCE CHAPTER 24A OF THE MONTGOMERY COUNTY CODE

The following sites have been reviewed and found not suitable for regulation under the Historic Preservation Ordinance. Those sites also listed on The Locational Atlas and Index of Historic Sites in Montgomery County, Maryland will no longer be subject to regulation under the Moratorium on Alteration and Demolition, Section 24A-10 of the Historic Preservation Ordinance. Although removed from the Locational Atlas, these sites will remain on the Maryland Historical Trust's State Inventory.

Site No. 24/3	<u>Name</u> Darby/Offutt Farm	Planning Board Hearing Date 7/12/83	Map Page <u>Number</u> 11
24/9	Frank Higgens (Hoskinson) House	7/12/83	17
24/11	Rudolph Beall House	7/12/83	17
24/31	Nathanial Clagett	7/12/83	18
25/7	Jones House	7/12/83	19
25/10-2	Travilah Baptist Church*	7/12/83	20
29/14	Greenbury Jackson House	7/12/83	21
29/24	Samuel Ford House	7/12/83	22
35/17	Granger Estate (Holton Arms School	3/3/83	23

No longer standing.





M#29-24 SAMUEL FORD HOUSE NAME CRIPPLEGATE RD. OFF FALLS RD., POTOMAC, LOCATION MP. FACADE 3/5/75 PHOTO TAKEN M. REDYER